89. Al-Mughni (The Enricher)

"Allah enriches whom He wills, not only with material provision but with spiritual wealth. The richest of all people is the one whose heart Allah has filled with contentment."

- Abu Yazid al-Bistami (804-874 CE)
Source: Recorded in al-Qushayri's "Risala"

Material as well as spiritual wealth will be acquired if a person reads 11 times Salawaat (Durood) before and after reciting this Beautiful Name of Allah 1,111 times. Surah Mazzammil must also be recited after this. All this may be done after Fajr or Esha.Salaah - Al Hisnul Hasin

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The Most Beautiful Names of Allah ﷻ

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AL-MUGHNI ﷻ (THE CREATOR OF INDEPENDENCE IN OTHERS/ THE BESTOWER OF WEALTH ﷻ)

Al-Mughni ﷻ is that Being who makes wealthy whichever of His servants He desires to the extent He wishes. Some have said, "Al-Mughni ﷻ is that Being who makes His special servants independent from all besides Him, so that they have no need for anyone but Him."

Allaamah Ibn Katheer ﷺ in the commentary of the verse

وَوَجَدَكَ عَائِلًا فَأَغْنٰى

states, " 'O Muhammad, you were poor and you had a family to support. Allaah ﷻ granted you so much that you became independent of the creation.' Allaah ﷻ combined for Nabi ﷺ the position of being a patient poor person and a grateful wealthy person." (Duhaa)

Al-Mughni ﷻ is He who makes others independent. What then must be His level of independence? Who can be more self-sufficient than the one whom Allaah ﷻ makes self-sufficient?

Al-Mughni ﷻ has made some people totally independent of the whole world, just as the stars are completely dependent on the sun, whilst the sun is completely independent. The moon is in need of the sun, even though it is independent of other stars. Some people are only in need of one like the moon, and completely independent of others. Some stars are in need of only a few other stars, and independent of all other things.

Similarly, some people are in need of some, and completely independent of others. Everything is in the hands of Allaah ﷻ. 'He ﷻ grants respect to whomsoever He wishes, and disgrace to whomsoever He wishes.' He makes dependent whomsoever He wishes, and makes independent whomsoever He wishes. In fact, He ﷻ makes some creation such that others are dependent on him.

In the Quraan Majeed, Allaah ﷻ states,

وَاَنَّه هُوَ اَغْنٰی وَاَقْنٰی

The meaning of this verse is that Allaah ﷻ makes people so wealthy and affluent that they become independent of others, and all their needs are seen to. He ﷻ grants only that amount to whomsoever He ﷻ wills, which they can manage and look after properly.

An incident is narrated of a pious man. Once, a king came to visit him with an acquaintance of the pious man. The pious man remained sitting with his feet spread out. Some-one asked, "Why are you keeping your feet spread out (whereas the king has come)?" He answered, "Sir, as long as our hands are kept folded, our feet can be spread out; otherwise, as long as our hands were spread out (before the people of the world), we used to keep our legs folded."

In short, when the Independent Being grants man constant engrossment in His relationship and special qualities, then, whoever attains this treasure, Allaah ﷻ makes his heart wealthy. Rasulullaah ﷺ said,

لَيْسَ الْغِنٰی عَنْ كَثْرَةِ الْعَرْضِ وَلٰـكِنَّ الْغِنٰی غِنَی النَّفْسِ

Wealth is not in having abundance of possessions, however true wealth is the wealth of the heart. (Bukhaari)

Possessing wealth is not a sign of being rich. Actual richness is to be happy with whatever Allaah ﷻ has granted and does not have greed for more money and goods. For most people, despite having wealth, the desire for excess wealth continues increasing, which is not an objective.

Nabi ﷺ, in his duaas, begged for the treasure of not desiring wealth; and he ﷺ has taught us the same. The duaa of Nabi ﷺ is as follows:

اَللّٰهُمَّ إِنِّيْ أَسْأَلُکَ غِنَايَ وَغِنَا مَوْلَايَ

O Allaah! I ask You that I be content, as well as my family members.
(Musnad Ahmad)

Mullaa Ali Qaari ﷺ writes in the commentary of this hadeeth, "Ask from Allaah……i.e. ask only from Allaah…….since the treasures of giving are solely in His hands…….the keys of bestowing and allotting are in His control……every bounty or difficulty, related to this world or the hereafter, which reaches a servant or is repelled from him is only achieved by His mercy without the trace of any benefit or for any underlying agenda…….since He ﷻ is the Most Generous and He is so independent that He is not in need of anyone……..thus a person should merely rely on His mercy……..in major and minor matters he should turn in earnestness to the Divine court……he should not ask anyone besides Him……..since all others besides Him do not have the power to grant or keep back….they are unable to repel any difficulty or grant any benefit…..the reason for this is that all besides Him ﷻ neither have power to benefit or repel harm from even themselves , nor do they possess power to give death, life or resurrect."

Further he writes, "Undoubtedly, the entire ummah i.e. the entire creation, the elite as well as the public, the ambiyaa, awliyaa and the remaining people are unanimous that in any matter of this world or the hereafter, if any one wants to benefit you in any manner, then he cannot do so without Divine will. (Mirqaat)